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FM AMCONSUL TANGIER

TO AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

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AMEMBASSY RABAT

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CGEN, MO

SUBJ: MALCOLM FORBES BALLOON FLIGHT

REF: NOUAKCHOTT 2015; RABAT 6221.

FYI, ACCORDING VARIOUS ACQUAINTANCES OF MILLIONAIRE MALCOLM FORBES IN TANGIER, WHERE FORBES HAS ONE OF HIS RESIDENCES, UPCOMING BALLOON FLIGHT IS THOROUGHLY WELL-PLANNED AND WELL-FINANCED AFFAIR. BALLOON BEGINS FROM CALIFORNIA MILITARY AIRSTRIP, CROSSES U.S. CONTINENT IN FIRST STAGE; IF THERE IS MISHAP, ANOTHER BALLOON WAITING IN RESERVE. IN MID-OCEAN BALLOON WILL MEET ONE OF THREE AIRSTREAMS, ONE TO NORTHWEST AFRICA, ONE TO FRANCE, OR ONE TO GREENLAND. IF BALLOON HITS GREENLAND CURRENT (ONLY 10-0/0 CHANCE), FORBES WILL DESCEND AND CAN REMAIN IN OCEAN MORE THAN TWENTY DAYS UNAIDED. FORBES BEING TRACKED BY RCA IN AIR AND ON SEA FOR ENTIRE VOYAGE.HYDE

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